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The invention provides novel polynucleotides and polypeptides encoded by such polynucleotides and mutants or variants thereof that correspond to a novel human secreted adiponectin-like polypeptides. In particular, the invention relates to novel adiponectin-like polypeptides, including novel proteins named 00001989h23\_aa1, 00001989h23\_aa2, 00001281c01\_aa1, 00002780Fe061\_aa1, 00002849Fl121\_aa1, 00002849Fl121\_aa2, 00002849Fl121\_aa1, 3, 00002849Fl121\_aa4, 00003131Fc221\_aa1, 00003131Fc221\_aa2, 00000744Fm021\_aa1, 00006150Fj061\_aa1, and 00006150Fj061\_aa2. Other aspects of the invention include vectors containing processes for producing novel human secreted adiponectin-like polypeptides, and antibodies specific for such polypeptides.

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